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CHAPTER 194

HOUSE BILL 2521

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 49-355, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES; RELATING TO POTABLE WATER SYSTEMS.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Section 49-355, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 49-355. Small water systems fund

5 A. A small water systems fund is established in the department of
6 environmental quality. ON DESIGNATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENTAL
7 QUALITY, THE FUND MAY BE ADMINISTERED BY THE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE
8 AUTHORITY OF ARIZONA. The fund consists of monies appropriated by the
9 legislature. Monies in the fund are exempt from lapsing under section
10 35-190. Interest earned on monies in the fund shall be credited to the fund.

11 B. Monies from the small water systems fund shall be used to:

12 1. Develop public education and information programs for owners,
13 operators and customers of small water systems.

14 2. Provide advice and assistance in managerial, accounting,
15 engineering and other technical areas for owners and operators of small water
16 systems.

17 3. Integrate and coordinate information ~~data-bases~~ DATABASES among the
18 government agencies involved in regulating small water systems.

19 4. Develop other programs which would benefit the owners, operators
20 and customers of small water systems.

21 5. PROVIDE EMERGENCY GRANTS TO INTERIM OPERATORS OR INTERIM MANAGERS
22 OF SMALL WATER SYSTEMS THAT ARE APPOINTED BY THE ARIZONA CORPORATION
23 COMMISSION TO REPAIR WATER INFRASTRUCTURE.

24 C. ON RECOMMENDATION OF THE ARIZONA CORPORATION COMMISSION THE WATER
25 INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY OF ARIZONA MAY APPROVE A GRANT TO AN INTERIM
26 OPERATOR OR AN INTERIM MANAGER OF A SMALL WATER SYSTEM PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
27 B, PARAGRAPH 5 OF THIS SECTION ONLY IF THE OPERATOR OR MANAGER DEMONSTRATES
28 THAT IT REQUIRES IMMEDIATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MAKE REPAIRS TO OR TO
29 REHABILITATE THE PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM THAT IS OPERATED BY THE INTERIM OPERATOR
30 OR MANAGER IN ORDER TO CORRECT OR AVOID AN INTERRUPTION IN WATER SERVICE.

31 Sec. 2. Emergency

32 This act is an emergency measure that is necessary to preserve the
33 public peace, health or safety and is operative immediately as provided by
34 law.

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR APRIL 24, 2006.

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